UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA EVANSVILLE DIVISION

JOHN DOE,)
Plaintiff,)
v.) No. 3:21-cv-00144-TWP-MJD
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA, et al.,)
Defendants.)

ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on Defendant Beth Devonshire's Unopposed Motion to Excuse In-Person Attendance at the October 5, 2023 Settlement Conference. [Dkt. 255.] The motion requests leave for Defendant Devonshire to be represented by counsel and Defendant University of Southern Indiana's representative and insurance carrier at the upcoming settlement conference. That motion is **GRANTED IN PART** and **DENIED IN PART**. Ms. Devonshire is excused from attending the settlement conference in person, so long as the following conditions are satisfied: (1) Ms. Devonshire must be represented at the settlement conference by an individual, other than her counsel of record in this case, with the complete, independent and discretionary authority to settle the case, in the representative's sole discretion, as required by the Court's order setting the settlement conference, [Dkt. 247 at 1-2 & n.1]; (2) an individual must be present for the settlement conference with the authority to execute any and all settlement documents on behalf of Ms. Devonshire, which individual may be her counsel of record; and (3) Ms. Devonshire must all be available by telephone during the course of the settlement conference in the event her

participation in the conference is deemed necessary by the Magistrate Judge. In the event Ms. Devonshire cannot or will not comply with the above stated conditions, then Ms. Devonshire's motion is denied.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: 7 JUL 2023

Mark J. Dinsmore

United States Magistrate Judge Southern District of Indiana

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